

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 are pending.

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the teleconference of April 27, 2005 regarding the current application. In the teleconference, the Examiner suggested that the application would be in a condition for allowance by amending claim 1 to include the features of claim 2 and amending claim 3 to include the features of claim 4.

Accordingly, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 2 and independent claim 3 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 4. Claims 2 and 4 has been canceled. In view of the above amendments and comments, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in a condition for allowance.

Having responded to each and every ground for objection and rejection in the Office Action mailed on June 10, 2005, Applicants request reconsideration in the instant application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111 and requests that the Examiner allow claims 1 and 2 and pass the application to issue. If there is any point requiring further attention prior to allowance, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicants' counsel who can be reached at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully,

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